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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Pursuit of County Position on Legislation

SB 46 (Perata), as amended on April 10, 2007, would provide the statutory framework for the distribution of funds from the \$850 million Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account contained in Proposition 1C, the Housing and Emergency Trust Fund Act of 2006, which was approved by the voters in November, 2006. The bill requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to administer a competitive program to provide capital outlay grants for infill housing development and for related infrastructure that is an integral part of the infill housing development. The bill addresses the: 1) legislative conditions and criteria for receiving funds from the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account; 2) project qualification requirements; and 3) application review.

SB 46 includes a number of eligibility criteria for projects, including: 1) designation as residential or mixed used residential development; 2) identification of the project site in a general plan, redevelopment plan, capital improvement plan, regional blueprint, or regional transportation plan; 3) location in a city or county that has an HCD-approved housing element; 4) that the project or area served by the grant must include 15 percent of units that will be affordable at unspecified affordability levels; and 5) meeting specified density levels.

Eligible applicants are for profit or nonprofit developers, cities, counties, and redevelopment agencies. Eligible expenditures of funds include: 1) costs of development, including construction and related planning and design; 2) project-specific creation, development, or rehabilitation of parks or open space; 3) water, sewer, utilities, or other infrastructure related to the infill development; 4) roads, parking structures, and transit linkages; 5) support for alternative transit modes, including walking, bicycling, and ride sharing; 6) traffic mitigation; 7) demolition and site preparation; and 8) sidewalks and streetscapes.

In the ranking and rating of projects, HCD must consider a number of factors, including: 1) project readiness; 2) the extent to which the project exceeds density level criteria; 3) the extent to which the project exceeds the 15 percent affordability requirement; and 4) the extent to which the project includes elements designed to achieve reductions in vehicle trips, emissions, or miles traveled. Priority is to be given to projects in "economically struggling communities," as defined by the bill. The grants shall be subject to unspecified minimum and maximum grant amounts, and must supplement, not supplant, other available funding. SB 46 rewards land-use decisions that reject sprawl in favor of projects that revitalize neighborhoods, provide high-density, affordable housing units, and protect open space.

The HCD must ensure a reasonable geographic distribution of funds to the maximum extent feasible and establish reasonable deadlines for grantees to encumber funds. Any funds not encumbered by the deadline must revert back to the HCD for reallocation. In addition, the bill provides that upon appropriation, an unspecified State agency shall award funds for the cleanup or development of brownfield sites.

According to the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee Analysis, SB 46 is a work in progress that does not specify which State entity will administer the brownfields program, the minimum and maximum grant amounts, and the required levels of housing affordability. The analysis indicates that these and other issues will be resolved as the bill moves along, and that the author introduced this bill as a starting point for further discussions with the various organizations that have submitted proposals for infill development funding.

The Community Development Commission (CDC) has reviewed SB 46 and is supportive of the intent of the bill. However, whether the County would receive funds is dependent upon the identification of suitable sites that met the minimum criteria established by the bill. The CDC indicates that the bill's requirement that 15 percent of units be affordable does not specify the income levels that would be eligible for these units. They recommend that the income level be set at a maximum of 50 percent of the Area Median Income as determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which is generally the minimum affordability level for projects funded with tax-exempt bond or tax credits.

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The CDC is concerned that, in addition to cities and counties, SB 46 includes for profit or nonprofit entities as eligible applicants. The CDC believes that government jurisdictions are in the best position to coordinate resources for the application, as well as applications within a jurisdiction. This is the model used for Tax-Exempt Bond financing and Tax Credit applications to the State Treasurer. However, the CDC states it may be acceptable for developers to apply if language were added requiring applicants to demonstrate the support of the local government where the real property is located for the proposed development project, which could be achieved through a letter from the governing board or the manager of the local housing or community development department, or its equivalent.

The CDC recommends that the County support SB 46, and request that it be amended to: 1) delete language allowing for profit or nonprofit entities as eligible applicants; 2) include language allowing a maximum of 50 percent of the Area Median Income as determined by HUD for the income levels for the 15 percent affordable units requirement; and 3) include language requiring nongovernmental applicants to demonstrate the support of the local government in which the real property is located for the proposed development.

Support for SB 46 is consistent with existing County policy to support proposals that provide incentives to local government and/or developers to increase affordable housing and existing policy to support legislation that increases resources to clean up and redevelop brownfields. Support for SB 46 is also consistent with the Board Action on December 5, 2006 instructing the Chief Administrative Officer to establish an Infrastructure Task Force to maximize the amount of funding available to the County from the various bond acts. **Therefore, our Sacramento advocates will support SB 46, and request that it be amended as indicated above.**

SB 46 is sponsored by the author and supported by the California Association of Councils of Government. There is no registered opposition at this time. SB 46 is set for hearing on May 21, 2007 in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Pursuit of County Position on a Budget Item

Child Support Services - Cost of Doing Business. As part of the State budget process, the Child Support Director's Association (CSDA) is advocating for the Legislature to provide a 3.5 percent cost of business adjustment for local child support agencies in FY 2007-08 which would be included in each county's baseline allocation. Over the past five years, the State has not granted any cost of doing business adjustment which has forced local child support agencies to absorb increased costs for negotiated salary adjustments, health benefits, workers compensation, leases, utilities, and other related costs. The lack of any State methodology for funding increased county administrative costs has placed local child support agencies in the difficult

position of backfilling the gap with limited resources, or reducing services in other areas to make up the difference in unfunded mandated costs.

Although the County's Child Support Services Department (CSSD) is responsible for approximately 26 percent of the statewide caseload, it receives only about 20 percent of the funding allocated for child support enforcement services. If the State approves a 3.5 percent increase, it is estimated that CSSD would receive an estimated \$5.0 million which would help maintain existing staffing levels, prevent service cuts, and increase child support collections.

The Department recommends that the County support CSDA's proposal for the State to grant a 3.5 percent cost of doing business adjustment for local child support agencies, and we concur. Therefore, consistent with Board-approved policy to support full funding of county child support collection program costs, **our Sacramento advocates will support proposals to adequately fund cost of doing business adjustments for local child support agencies.**

On May 10, 2007, the County took a position to support proposals that adequately fund cost of doing business adjustments for Adoptions, Adult Protective Services, CalWORKs, Child Welfare Services, Food Stamp Administration, Foster Care, and the In-Home Supportive Services Programs. The Governor's May Revision, released on May 14, 2007, contains a proposal for a new methodology for funding county administrative costs for various human services programs, but the proposal did not include the Child Support Services Program.

Status of County-Advocacy Legislation

County-sponsored AB 800 (Lieu, Brownley, Krekorian), which would clarify the requirement in existing law to immediately report sewage spills to the local health officer and increase fines for failure to immediately report those spills, passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee on May 16, 2007, on a partisan vote of 11 to 5. AB 800 will now go to the Assembly Floor.

County-sponsored SB 856 (Runner), which would allow Los Angeles County to install customized street name signs that better portray the city/community in the unincorporated areas of the County, was placed on the Senate Appropriations Suspense file on May 14, 2007.

Status of Bills of County Interest

AB 753 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security) as amended April 26, 2007, which would clarify the authority of Los Angeles County Employees Retirement Association (LACERA) to compensate alternate board members for participating in Association meetings, has passed a policy committee vote in the

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Assembly Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security by a 6 to 0 vote. This bill, which is sponsored by LACERA, now moves to the Assembly Floor for consideration.

Master Bill List

A roster containing the status of all bills with a County advocacy position is attached.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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Attachment

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Legislative Strategist
Local 660
Coalition of County Unions
California Contract Cities Association
Independent Cities Association
League of California Cities
City Managers Associations
Buddy Program Participants

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STATUS OF BILLS OF INTEREST TO THE COUNTY
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These are bills we have pursued in Sacramento pursuant to Board actions or as reported in bill policy memoranda.

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
AB 29	Hancock	Support if Amended as indicated in State Update (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to use funds allocated from Proposition 1C to make infrastructure grants for construction or acquisition of capital assets to qualifying local jurisdictions. This bill addresses: 1) the legislative conditions and criteria for receiving funds from the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account; 2) project qualification requirements; 3) application review; and 4) the time-limit to complete projects for the \$850 million set aside in Proposition 1C for infill development related activities.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 49	Arambula	Support (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would add the extreme cold temperatures that occurred during the month of January 2007, to the list of natural disasters eligible for full State reimbursement of local agency costs under the Natural Disaster Assistance Act. Additionally, this bill would authorize the State Department of Finance to transfer funds to the California Small Business Expansion fund to make loan guarantees to businesses in areas affected by this natural disaster. Urgency measure.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 70	Jones	Oppose (State Update: 4/20/07)	NOW: Still does the same but was limited to apply only to flood control projects within the Sacramento and San Joaquin watersheds.	Assembly Desk

PREVIOUSLY: Would have decreased the State's liability by requiring any local public entity to compensate the State for actions contributing, or whose failure to act contributes, to the failure of a flood control project when that failure causes property damage or personal injury and a judgment has been entered against the State. The bill would have subjected a local public entity to joint liability and the State's right of compensation to the extent that the local public entity increased the amount of property damage sustained in a flood by approving new development in a previously undeveloped area, defined as open space land or land devoted to agricultural use.

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AB 81	Torrico	Oppose Unless Amended to delete language that increases the safe surrender time frame from 72 hours to 30 days (State Update: 3/6/07)	Would: 1) extend the timeframe to safely surrender a newborn from 72-hours to 30 days; 2) allow cities to designate fire departments as safe surrender sites as long as they have consulted with county boards of supervisors and child welfare agencies; and 3) provide \$5 million to the California Department of Social Services to conduct a statewide awareness campaign to publicize the safe surrender program and establish a toll-free telephone number to provide information regarding safe surrender sites.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 97	Mendoza	Support (State Update: 4/17/07)	Would limit the use of trans fat by retail food facilities. It would require every food facility to maintain on their premises the labeling information for any food or additive used that includes any fat, oil, or shortening. Effective July 1, 2009, it would prohibit the storage, distribution, serving, or use of any oil, shortening or margarine that contains artificial trans fat, except for the deep frying of yeast dough and cake batter. Beginning July 1, 2010, the use of artificial trans fat for deep frying yeast dough and cake batter also would be prohibited. These restrictions would not apply to food sold in a manufacturer's original, sealed package.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 98	Niello	Support (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would require the State to pay 50 percent of the wage subsidies for CalWORKs participants engaged in subsidized private or public sector employment, subject to the following restrictions: the State's share of a wage subsidy would not exceed 50 percent of the Maximum Aid Payment for the assistance unit which includes the adult receiving the wage subsidy; and State participation would be limited to county programs that provide a maximum of six months of wage subsidies for each participant.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 119	Price	Support (State Update: 3/1/07)	Would require the State to pay for expenses incurred on or after January 1, 2007, for elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of State Senator or member of the Assembly or to fill a vacancy in the office of the United States Senate or Representative in Congress. If an election proclaimed by the Governor is consolidated with a local election, the State would pay only the additional expenses directly related to the election proclaimed by the Governor. Urgency measure.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 166	Bass	Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Would add provisions to the Labor Code that would expand the presumption of job-related injury for public safety employees to include contracting methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) skin infections.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File

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AB 184	Bass	Support (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would appropriate \$3 million from the State General Fund to provide Independent Living Program (ILP) services to qualified former foster youth who are: placed with a non-related legal guardian if the child is receiving permanent placement services; placed as wards with a non-related legal guardian who receives AFDC-FC benefits and case management services; or adopted at 14 years of age or older.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 190	Bass	Support (State Update: 3/23/07)	Would establish a new child welfare budget methodology to implement the caseload relief recommendations of the SB 2030 Child Welfare Workload Study. Also requires counties to develop a plan, in consultation with parents of children receiving child welfare services, consumers, child advocacy organizations and social worker organizations, for the use of additional funds to provide social workers with additional time or support to enhance casework outcomes for children and families.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 223	Runner	County-sponsored	Would allow those serving in the military, who are called to active duty in the United States on short notice, to be able to cast an absentee/provisional/or faxed ballot allowing those voters to be made a part of the official canvass.	Senate Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments Assembly Floor
AB 298	Maze	Support (State Update: 4/27/07)	Would facilitate permanency for children placed under legal guardianship with a relative caregiver by: 1) specifying that a relative caregiver's preference for legal guardianship over adoption may not constitute a basis for removing the child from relative caretaker for an adoptive placement; 2) making placement with a relative caregiver as the legal guardian the second option in the order of preference for courts considering child placement; and 3) requiring courts, prior to termination of a legal guardianship, to order the child welfare agency to evaluate whether the child can safely remain or be returned to the guardian's home and if appropriate, offer reunification or family maintenance services to maintain the legal guardianship.	
AB 308	Galgiani	Support (State Update: 4/13/07)	Would require the State Department of Mental Health, in consultation with the State Department of Health Care Services, to adopt regulations to provide prompt reimbursement to counties for the provision of services provided under the Federally-mandated Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) Program. This bill would appropriate \$243 million to reimburse counties for unpaid EPSDT claims for FY 2003-04, FY 2004-05, and FY 2006-07.	Assembly Appropriations

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AB 335	De Leon	Support (State Update: 3/30/07)	Would allow victims of domestic violence requesting CalWORKs Homeless Assistance to provide a sworn statement in lieu of third-party documentation to verify that homelessness is directly related to domestic violence.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 340	Hancock	Support (State Update: 3/23/07)	Would establish the Unified Resources Families Assessment Pilot Project in five volunteer counties selected by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). The pilot project would merge multiple, duplicative processes for licensing and approving relatives, foster families and adoptive parents who care for abused and neglected children.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 419	Lieber	Oppose (State Update: 5/3/07)	Would authorize additional safety employees to receive up to a one year leave of absence with full pay for job related injuries under Labor Code Section 4850.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 503	Hernandez	Oppose (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would require public agencies to provide an eight hour written notice to employees prior to working overtime.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 596	Dymally	Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Would amend the provisions of the 1937 County Retirement Law to classify physicians working in a county jail or county mental health facility, in Alameda or Los Angeles Counties, as safety members without the need for county board of supervisors' action.	Assembly Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security
AB 644	Dymally	Oppose (State Update: 4/20/07)	NOW: Was amended to place limits on a physician conducting an evaluation of the treatment of services requested for a client injured during work related activities by requiring the reviewing physician to hold an identical type of license to that of the prescribing doctor. Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Assembly Insurance
AB 671	Beall	Support (State Update: 5/4/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have amended the Labor Code to require that physicians performing utilization review of the medical treatment on a workers' compensation case have an "intimate knowledge" of the issues presented for review. Further, it would have required the reviewing physician to look at the treatment requested by the treating physician and not the specialty of practice.	Assembly Appropriations for Emancipated Foster Youth

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AB 713	Maze, Bass	County-sponsored	Would cite legislative intent to provide enhanced services and financial support to assist youth between the ages of 18 and 21 years to successfully emancipate from foster care. This is a two-year bill.	Assembly Desk
AB 714	Maze, Bass	County-sponsored	Would allow disclosure of birth family records for previously adopted children who return to foster care.	Senate Judiciary
AB 752	Dymally	Support (State Update: 4/27/07)	Would establish a mechanism to distribute stabilization funds among the public hospital system in years three through five of the Hospital Financing Waiver.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 800	Lieu, Brownley, and Krekorian	County-sponsored	Would: 1) amend the Water Code to include a requirement that the local public health officer be immediately notified in the event of a sewage spill; and 2) permit civil fines to be imposed on persons who do not immediately notify the local public health officer when a sewage spill occurs.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 845	Bass	Support (State Update: 4/27/07)	Would appropriate \$10.525 million in FY 2006-07 to fully fund the Transitional Housing Program Plus in FY 2006-07, which would provide services for approximately 500 more former foster youth statewide.	Assembly Floor
AB 1062	Ma	County-sponsored	Would enhance the CalWORKs Homeless and Housing Assistance Program by creating a time-limited rental subsidy for certain qualified CalWORKs families.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 1073	Nava	Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Would amend the Labor Code to expand the number of chiropractic, occupational therapy and physical therapy treatment sessions available to workers for industrial injuries. It would also limit the reviews of treatment utilization to physicians licensed in California.	Senate Desk
AB 1207	Smyth	Oppose (Board Action: 4/10/07)	Would: 1) require the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to develop regulations for the land application of biosolids by July 1, 2009; 2) require the standards to be uniform statewide; 3) prohibit a local governmental entity from enacting any ordinance or regulation that is contrary or inconsistent to the CIWMB's regulations on the land application of biosolids; and 4) void any existing or future local ordinance or regulation that contradicts the CIWMB's regulations regarding the composting and disposal of biosolids.	Assembly Natural Resources

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AB 1231	Garcia	Support if Amended as indicated in State Update (State Update 4/20/07)	Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to use funds allocated from Proposition 1C to make infrastructure grants for construction or acquisition of capital assets to qualifying local jurisdictions. This bill addresses: 1) the legislative conditions and criteria for receiving funds from the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account; 2) project qualification requirements; 3) application review; and 4) the time-limit to complete projects for the \$850 million set aside in Proposition 1C for infill development related activities.	Assembly Housing and Community Development
AB 1233	Galgiani	Support (State Update: 4/24/07)	Would require the State Librarian to establish and maintain an online homework assistance program through State Public Libraries. It would also mandate that the online homework assistance program be offered free of charge to all students in the State, and subject to appropriation of funds in the Budget Act, would grant \$3 million annually to the State library for program implementation.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 1382	Leno	Support (State Update: 5/10/07)	Would eliminate the statutory requirement that adult household members must be fingerprinted through the Statewide Fingerprint Imaging System (SFIS) as a condition of eligibility for Food Stamp Only benefits. This bill would retain the current statutory requirement that adult household members applying for CalWORKs or General Relief with food stamps be fingerprinted as a condition of eligibility.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 1391	Brownley	No Position	NOW: Still addresses water quality issues but the County-sponsored provisions were transferred to AB 800 (Lieu).	Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials

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AB 1481	De La Torre, Krekorian	Support and Amend to clarify that the general discharge permit would apply to any irrigation uses for which the State Department of Public Health has or will set recycling criteria (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would require the State Water Resources Control Board (WRCB), on or before July 31, 2009, to establish general discharge permits for landscape irrigation projects utilizing recycled water for which the State Department of Public Health has set recycling criteria, and would authorize the WRCB to establish a reasonable schedule of fees to reimburse the WRCB for the costs it incurs in adopting and administering the general permit. The bill would also require the WRCB to designate an ombudsman to coordinate and facilitate communication on recycled water, and on the issuance of specified water reclamation requirements, and to assist in the implementation of the general permit program established by the bill.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
SB 55	Florez	Oppose Unless Amended to exclude sewage sludge from a POTW that is transferred from the facility for further treatment and disposal by another POTW with a waste discharge requirement issued by the regional boards (State Update: 5/11/07)	Would require publicly owned treatment works (POTW) to submit certification to the regional water quality control board that any sewage sludge transferred from the facility for disposal or further processing meets regional board POTW requirements and standards for pollutants. The bill would require the POTW to submit the certification to any person or facility that accepts sewage sludge from that POTW for disposal or processing, and require the POTW to submit certification to haulers transporting the sewage sludge that it is nonhazardous, including whether the sewage belongs to a particular class, or contains other pathogens.	Senate Appropriations Suspense File
SB 119	Cedillo	Support (State Update: 2/8/07)	Would increase the scope of benefits and reimbursement rates for Drug Medi-Cal to provide access to an appropriate continuum of care for youths from 12 to 20 years of age suffering from substance abuse disorders.	Senate Appropriations Suspense File
SB 120	Padilla, Middien	Support (State Update: 4/17/07)	Would require that all chain restaurants in the State with ten or more outlets provide nutrition information on their menus that includes for each menu item the total number of calories, grams of saturated fat, grams of trans fat, and milligrams of sodium. On a menu board, it would only require the total number of calories for each item.	Senate Floor
SB 134	Cedillo	County-sponsored	Would lift the retirement cap for those public safety employees of the Sheriff's Department hired prior to April 1997.	Assembly Desk
SB 145	Corbett	Support (State Update: 5/1/07)	Would extend the current June 30, 2007 deadline for transfer of responsibility for court facilities from the counties to the State Judicial Council to December 31, 2008. Urgency measure.	Assembly Desk

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SB 156	Simitian	Support and Amend as indicated in the summary (Board Action: 3/6/07)	Would enact the California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2008 and would place it on the 2008 statewide primary ballot. If approved by the voters, it would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4 billion for library construction and renovation. The County is requesting that the bill be amended to: 1) include a deadline for awarding bond funds; 2) develop a streamlined and shorter application process; 3) consider per capita or geographical distribution as a factor in determining awards; 4) allow agencies up to one year to conduct an election if required to obtain matching funds through a local bond measure; and 5) require recipients to take immediate responsibility for project construction and demonstrate that funds are available to operate new facility.	Senate Appropriations
SB 208	Runner	Support (State Update: 4/17/07)	Would prohibit the State from assessing or collecting licensing fees from any county for the operation of a Stat-licensed correctional treatment center. It also would prohibit the State from shifting the costs of this licensing fee exemption to other licensed health facilities.	Senate Appropriations Senate Suspense File
SB 286	Lowenthal, Dutton	Support (State Update: 4/24/07)	Would require that the bond funds from Proposition 1B for local streets and roads be allocated by the State Controller in two cycles that cover four years, with the first cycle of payments to be made to eligible local agencies not later than January 1, 2008, and the second round to be made not later than January 1, 2010. At least half of each eligible local agency's total allocation amount must be made during the first cycle and all funds must be spent within three years from the date of allocation. Urgency measure.	Senate Appropriations
SB 297	Romero	County-sponsored	Would authorize counties to impose a local tax of not more than five percent on the sale of alcoholic beverages in order to continue to provide essential public services, including emergency and trauma care.	Senate Governmental Organization
SB 352	Padilla	Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Would amend the Labor Code to eliminate current restrictions on chiropractic, occupational therapy and physical therapy visits by law enforcement employees recovering from work related injuries.	Senate Appropriations Senate Suspense File
SB 680	Ridley-Thomas	Support (Board Action: 4/17/07)	Would appropriate funds to permanently establish the Special Needs Assistance Program to facilitate the inclusion of children with disabilities and other special needs in State-subsidized child care programs.	Senate Appropriations Senate Suspense File
SB 720	Kuehl	Support (State Update: 5/7/07)	Would facilitate the joint placement of foster youth teen parents with their children.	Senate Floor

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SB 767	Ridley-Thomas	County-sponsored	Would provide protection from civil and criminal liability for medical professionals who administer opioid antagonists, in good faith, to someone who is believed to be experiencing a drug overdose and it also would release licensed health care professionals from civil and criminal liability when, if acting with reasonable care, they prescribe, dispense, distribute, or administer an opioid antagonist.	Senate Floor
SB 776	Vincent	Support (State Update: 5/4/07)	Would allow county child welfare agencies to exchange criminal record clearances when a child in foster care moves with a relative or non-relative extended family caretaker from one county to another.	Senate Floor
SB 856	Runner	County-sponsored	Would allow Los Angeles County to install customized street name signs that better portray the city/community in the unincorporated areas of the County.	Senate Appropriations Senate Suspense File
SB 893	Cox	Oppose (Board Action: 4/10/07)	Would shift all voter-approved ballot initiative Proposition 10 revenue away from all county First 5 Commissions and direct it to the Statewide California Children and Families Commission to distribute for the purpose of providing health care services to children.	Failed Passage in Senate Health
SB 936	Perata	Oppose (State Update: 5/3/07)	Would increase the disability benefits paid to employees injured during the course of employment. Payments to those injured after January 1, 2008, would be increased with additional benefit increases for those injured after January 1, 2009, and January 1, 2010.	Senate Floor
SB 942	Migden	Oppose (State Update: 3/30/07)	Would establish a rebuttable presumption of employer discrimination if an employee, disabled by an employment related injury or illness, is not reinstated to his or her regular position within one day of release by the treating physician. Further, it would be a misdemeanor for the employer to refuse to reinstate the employee within the one day period.	Senate Floor
SB 959	Romero	County-sponsored	Would authorize a board of supervisors to permit the Sheriff and the Chief Probation Officer to mandate an electronic monitoring sentence, while also keeping the voluntary provision in place.	Senate Floor

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SB 990	Kuehl	Support (Board Action: 4/10/07)	Would require as a condition for any sale, lease, or sublease, or transfer of any land presently or formerly occupied by the Santa Susana Field Laboratory, also known as Rocketyne, that the Director of Toxic Substances Control certify that the land has undergone complete remediation pursuant to specified protective standards. Further, it would authorize the Department of Toxic Substance Control to compel a responsible party or parties to take or pay for appropriate removal or remediation action necessary to protect public health and safety and the environment at the Susana Field Laboratory site in Ventura County.	Senate Floor
SB 1001	Perata	Oppose (State Update: 4/13/07)	Would reduce the membership of regional water quality control boards from nine to five persons and completely restructure the composition of those boards, eliminating the members representing county and municipal government.	Senate Appropriations